In 1965, Dr. Greene joined a research and development team at Fairchild Semiconductor that won the fastest memory chip design patent of the time. In 1971, he founded Technology Development Corporation, a fast-growing computer software and technical services company, which led to the founding of ZeroOne Systems in 1985. In 1993, he cofounded New Vista Capital, a venture capital firm that specialized in funding women-owned and minority-owned businesses. Throughout his career. Dr. Greene earned many accolades, including receiving Washington University's Black Alumni Achievement Award. Santa Clara University's Distinguished Engineering Alumni Award, Purdue University's Outstanding Electrical and Computer Engineer Award, and, in 2002, induction as the first African American into the Silicon Valley Engineering Hall of Fame.

All the while, Dr. Greene kept in mind the critical importance of instilling in youth a love of learning and an indomitable belief in the ability to succeed. He began the GO-Positive Foundation to encourage life skills through, "Vision, Relationships, and Execution," with his VRE Leadership Model. Additionally, the Dr. Frank S. Greene Scholars Program is a science, technology, engineering and math initiative contributing to the academic success of African-American students. He was also an active member of many local organizations.

I met Dr. Greene years ago while working on the former congressional staff for current mayor, Ron Dellums. Dr. Greene was always a kind and forthright man whose business acumen impressed me tremendously. We worked on many business issues together and, as an elected official, I enjoyed his gracious and consistent support over the years. Frank did so much for young people in the Bay Area and beyond. He was a good friend, and I will miss him.

Today, California's 9th Congressional District salutes and honors a wonderful human being, Dr. Frank S. Greene, Jr. Our community is indebted to his life's contribution in countless ways. Dr. Greene was truly a great man and he will be deeply missed by an extended group of family, friends and loved ones. May his soul rest in peace.

TRIBUTE TO BALLARD JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

## HON. TOM LATHAM

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, March 25, 2010

Mr. LATHAM. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate students at Ballard Junior and Senior High School in Ballard, Iowa, for their efforts in raising money for St. Damien Hospital, the only free pediatric hospital in Haiti.

St. Damien Hospital is facing many struggles with the devastation caused by the earthquake in Haiti. Jeriann McLaughlin, the service/mentoring/tutoring coordinator at Ballard Junior and Senior High, learned of the struggles from Annie Kautza, who is a native of lowa and the regional medical coordinator for NPH International, who runs St. Damien. Annie explained the severe structural damage the hospital sustained during the earthquake and the need for financial assistance to get

back to business as usual and serve the additional children in need of care.

Jeriann initiated a fun and competitive fundraising project called "Penny War" which took place for one week in February. This school-wide contest was implemented to see which advisor group could collect the most pennies. Containers for each advisor group were filled with pennies, and students could add other coins and dollar bills to their opposing advisor groups' to reduce that group's overall penny count in the Penny War competition. The advisor group with the highest penny credit and the group raising the most money earned a pizza party. In total, the Penny War raised over \$2000.00, and the National Honor Society raised an additional \$121.00.

This collective effort at Ballard Junior and Senior High School is characteristic of what lowa is all about—citizens motivated and dedicated to improving the daily life of people in need. I commend all the students, their families, and especially Jeriann McLaughlin who generated this heartwarming effort. I consider it an honor to represent Jeriann and all of those involved in the Penny War in the United States Congress and again I congratulate them for their great act of kindness and charity.

## HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 25, 2010

Mr. COURTNEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Christiane Lee as a winner of the first annual "Lessons of the African-American Experience" Creative Writing Contest. Christiane is currently in the eighth grade at Vernon Center Middle School, which is located in Vernon, Connecticut.

In celebration of Black History Month, I sponsored a creative writing contest for all third through eighth grade students within the Second District. As we know, Black History Month is a time to reflect on the struggles and triumphs of our nation's past. The lessons learned during this month continue to serve as the stepping stones of our nation's future. Christiane's essay "Facing History with Courage" eloquently embraces this belief.

Christiane's essay shows a remarkable enthusiasm for learning that is inspiring to all. She identified the values that she learned during Black History Month and creatively discussed how those values affect her life and the lives of others. For this, her essay was among the four winners selected.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

## HON. J. GRESHAM BARRETT

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 25, 2010

Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, unfortunately, I missed the following recorded votes on the House floor the week of Monday, March 15, 2010.

For Monday, March 15, 2010, had I been present I would have voted "aye" on rollcall vote No. 112 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H. Res. 1145), "aye" on rollcall vote No. 113 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H. Res. 1170), "aye" on rollcall vote No. 114 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H. Res. 1163), "aye" on rollcall vote No. 115 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H. Res. 267).

For Tuesday, March 16, 2010, had I been present I would have voted "aye" on rollcall vote No. 116 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H.R. 4628), "aye" on rollcall vote No. 117 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H. Res. 311), "aye" on rollcall vote No. 118 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H. Res. 605), "aye" on rollcall vote No. 119 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H. Res. 1128).

For Wednesday, March 17, 2010, had I been present I would have voted "aye" on rollcall vote No. 120 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H. Res. 1089), "aye" on rollcall vote No. 121 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H. Res. 1167), "no" on rollcall vote No. 122 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H. Res. 1184), "aye" on rollcall vote No. 123 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H. Res. 1141), "aye" on rollcall vote No. 124 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to S. 1147), "aye" on rollcall vote No. 125 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H.R. 3954), "ave" on rollcall vote No. 126 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H.R. 946), "aye" on rollcall vote No. 127 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H.R. 4825).

For Thursday, March 18, 2010, had I been present I would have voted "aye" on rollcall vote No. 131 (on motion to refer H. Res. 1193, raising a question of the privileges of the House), "no" on rollcall vote No. 132 (on motion to table H. Res. 1193, raising a question of the privileges of the House), "aye" on rollcall vote No. 133 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H.R. 3542), "aye" on rollcall vote No. 134 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H.R. 3509), "aye" on rollcall vote No. 135 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H. Res. 1173).

TRIBUTE TO COLLINS-MAXWELL HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE SCHOOL

## HON. TOM LATHAM

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, March 25, 2010

Mr. LATHAM. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate the students at Collins-Maxwell High School and Middle School in Central lowa for their efforts in raising money to help those devastated by the earthquake in Haiti.

Lanie Crouse, president of the high school student council, and student council members Josh Benton and Jameson Hudson implemented a plan to raise money for the Story County Chapter of the American Red Cross for relief in Haiti by selling T-shirts. The more than 240 T-shirts sold have a Haitian-style design with their school Raider logo. In addition, the middle school students organized a coin drive which raised \$242. Local community